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Transmitted herewith are papers in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.  
☐ Applicant(s) claim small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.  
☒ An additional fee is not required.  
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|  |   |       |                                   |                  | SMALL ENTITY |               | LARGE ENTITY |               |
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 11, 2005, please enter the following amendments. Please reconsider the application in view of these amendments and appended remarks.

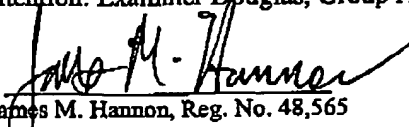
Amendments to the claims are reflected in the replacement claim set which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 15 of this paper.

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